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Sir:

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO Form 1449. To the best of the undersigned's knowledge, this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application.

Accordingly, Applicant does not believe that a fee is due for filing this paper.

An International Search Report dated September 14, 2004 that issued in an International patent application and having documents cited therein is attached for the Examiner's consideration. The cited documents are listed on the attached PTO Form 1449 and are also attached hereto. An English-language translation of the International Search Report dated September 14, 2004 is also attached for the Examiner's consideration.

The relevance of the attached foreign language documents can be understood from the attached English-language abstracts, and from the citation of the documents in the attached

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International Search Report dated September 14, 2004. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If it should be determined that any of the listed documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicant reserves the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such document.

Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over any of the listed documents, should any of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

**Except** for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this Application, including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required and including any required extension of time fees, *or* credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0573. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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<b>U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS								
	Document Number	Date	Country	Class	Sub Class	Translation		
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	11-239186	August 31, 1999	Japan			X		Abstract
	2001-86440	March 30, 2001	Japan			X		Abstract
	2000-268537	September 29, 2000	Japan			X		Abstract

<b>OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)</b>		

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